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1. On 16 July 1954, the GDR State Secretariat for Motor Traffic and Roads drew up a tabulation of roads and bridges which had to be closed because of flood damage. In the meantime, the SED Central Committee ~~has decided~~ that all flood damage on roads and bridges had to be ~~removed~~ by late October 1954. The tabulation drawn up by the State Secretariat for Motor Traffic and Roads indicates that the following roads and bridges had to be closed temporarily:

a. Roads

Bezirk Leipzig:

F 2 Pegau - Zeitz  
F 2 Krostätz - Bad Dürrenberg  
F 182 Sydewitz - ~~Störte~~  
LIO 355 Windisch - ~~Leuna~~ - Bockau  
LIO 236 near Längeneuba  
LIO 204 Wiederau - Audigast  
LIO 196 Blumenroda - Regis  
LIO 373 Loebnitz - Tiefensee  
LIO 222 Trebsen - Neichen  
LIO 183 Serrnuth - Podelwitz  
LIO 208 ~~Leuna~~ - ~~Störte~~  
LIO 214 ~~Leuna~~ - ~~Störte~~  
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Bezirk Halle:

Berlin-Nuernberg autobahn between the Coswig and Dessau-Sued exits. Detour for light traffic via Dessau-Rosslau, for heavy and inter-zonal traffic via Schkeuditzer Kreuz as far as kilometer marker 177.6, from there on F 2 as far as branch point LIO 407, on LIO 407 via Eilenburg to Dueben, from Dueben on F 2 as far as Wittenberg, from Wittenberg on F 184 as far as Coswig autobahn entrance.

LIO 115 Sollnitz - ~~Kleut~~  
LIO 252 Reuden - ~~Kleut~~  
LIO 249 ~~Thies~~ - ~~Doberitz~~

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**Bezirk Dresden:**

F 171 Schlottwitz - ~~Glashütte~~ *172 Schlottwitz*  
 F 6 Niederwarta - ~~Niedersa~~  
 LIO 70 Schmiedeberg - Oberfrauendorf  
 LIO 74 ~~Kallbach~~ - ~~Rietzsch~~  
 LIO 16 ~~Wittendorf~~ - ~~Drausendorf~~ *171 Hyendorf*  
 LIO 16 ~~Reckersau~~ - ~~Greinitz~~  
 LIO 139 Dammnitz - Teich - Wolframsdorf  
 F 73 Oberlungwitz between kilometer markers 2.8 and 3.7  
 F 94 Rodewisch - Reichenbach

**Bezirk Magdeburg:**

Entrance to and exit of the Breitenhagen ferry.

b. Bridges.

1. The Canal Bridge across the Mulde River near ~~Flautsch~~ on the Berlin - Nuernberg ~~Highway~~ collapsed
2. Schlossbruecke in Dessau on LIO 112 - the wooden surface had to be removed
3. Bridge across the Elster River in the course of F 2 in Zeitz
4. Bridge across the Mulde River in Jessnitz along the route of LIO 116
5. Bridge on LIO 111 at Raguhn *(Raguhn)*
6. Bridge across the Mulde River on LIO 222 near Neichen
7. Bridge on LIO 185 near Colditz
8. Bridge across the Mulde River on LIO 186 near Lastau - imminent danger of collapse
9. Bridge on LIO 300 near Mueschen in Bezirk Cottbus; piers undercut and bridge lowered
10. Bridge across the Zwickauer Mulde near Waldenburg on F 180 - seriously damaged
11. Bridge across the Zwickauer Mulde in Jerisau Kreis Glauchau - collapsed
12. Bridge across the Freifluter near Bockau (LIO 295-S-2) - collapsed
13. Bridge between Goeltzsch and Muehlwand on LIO 327-S-1 - collapsed
14. Bridge in Chemnitz (Hartauer Strasse - Friedrich Strasse) - collapsed
15. Bridge across Lungwitzbach in Nieder-Lungwitz - collapsed. <sup>2</sup>

Content: Reported as received.

Comment. The abbreviations F and LIO stand for Fernverkehrsstrasse (long-distance highway) and Landstrasse I. Ordnung (First Class Road) respectively. The places mentioned indicate the road sections which were affected by the flood. It is believed that the flood damages on roads and bridges will not be repaired by late October 1954. It is also believed that this ~~will not~~ cause a delay of the 1954 Road and Road Bridge Construction Program because of a critical shortage of material.

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